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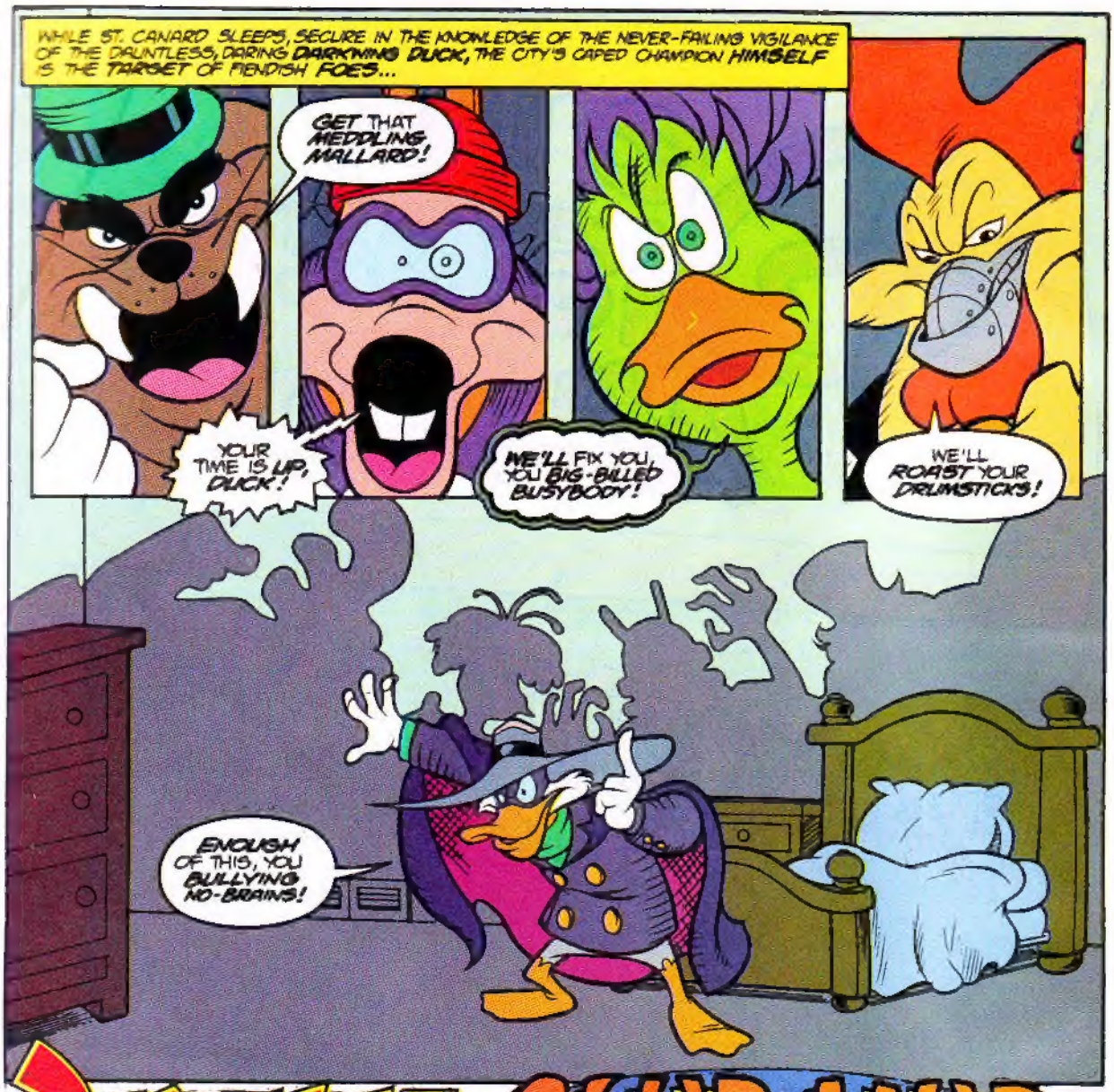

DARKWING DUCK in CLUB MUD
THE LAST RESORT

PAUL S. NEWMAN STORY
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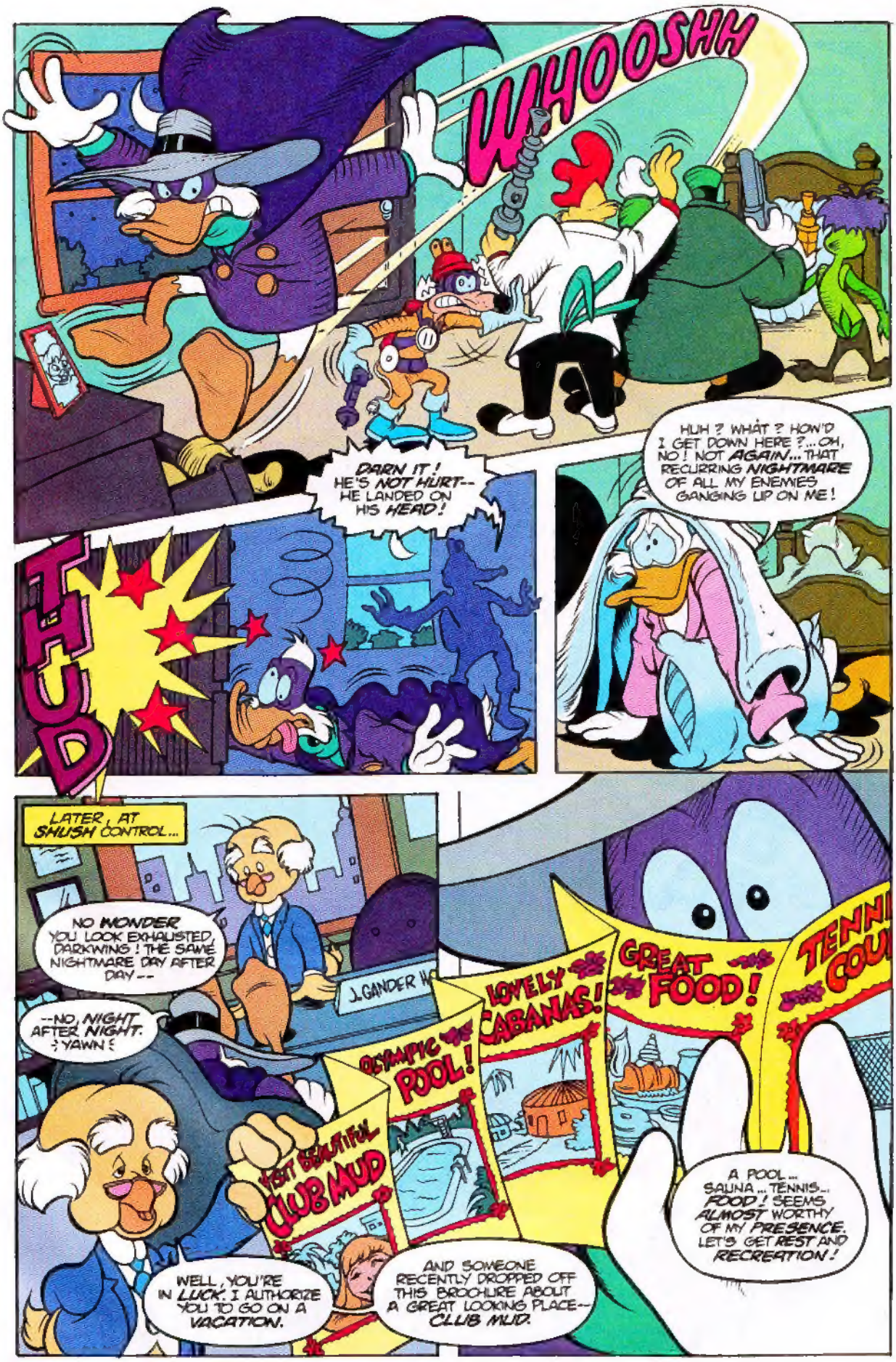
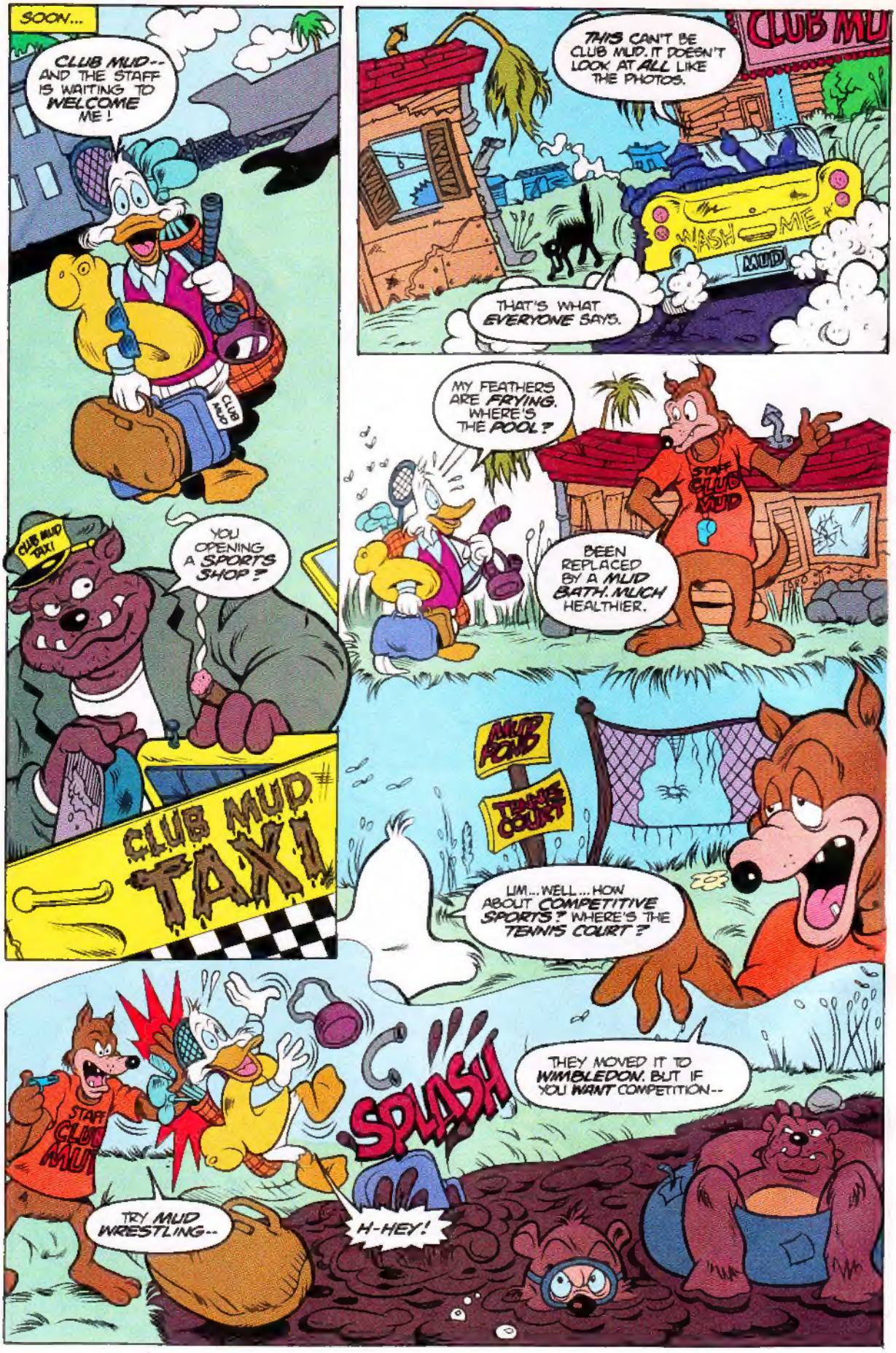

WHOOSHH
DARN IT! HE'S NOT HURT-- HE LANDED ON HIS HEAD!
THUD
HUH? WHAT? HOW'D I GET DOWN HERE?... OH, NO! NOT AGAIN... THAT RECURRING NIGHTMARE OF ALL MY ENEMIES GANGING UP ON ME!
LATER, AT SHUSH CONTROL...
NO WONDER YOU LOOK EXHAUSTED, DARKWING! THE SAME NIGHTMARE DAY AFTER DAY--
--NO, NIGHT AFTER NIGHT. ÷YAWN÷
J. GANDER H
OLYMPIC POOL!
LOVELY CABANAS!
GREAT FOOD!
TENNI COU
VISIT BEAUTIFUL CLUB MUD
A POOL... SAUNA... TENNIS... FOOD! SEEMS ALMOST WORTHY OF MY PRESENCE. LET'S GET REST AND RECREATION!
WELL, YOU'RE IN LUCK. I AUTHORIZE YOU TO GO ON A VACATION.
AND SOMEONE RECENTLY DROPPED OFF THIS BROCHURE ABOUT A GREAT LOOKING PLACE-- CLUB MUD.


SOON...
CLUB MUD-- AND THE STAFF IS WAITING TO WELCOME ME!
CLUB MUD TAXI
YOU OPENING A SPORTS SHOP?
CLUB MUD TAXI
THIS CAN'T BE CLUB MUD. IT DOESN'T LOOK AT ALL LIKE THE PHOTOS.
CLUB MU
WASH ME
MUD
THAT'S WHAT EVERYONE SAYS.
MY FEATHERS ARE FRYING. WHERE'S THE POOL?
STAFF CLUB MUD
BEEN REPLACED BY A MUD BATH. MUCH HEALTHIER.
MUD POND
TENNIS COURT
UM... WELL... HOW ABOUT COMPETITIVE SPORTS? WHERE'S THE TENNIS COURT?
SPLASH
THEY MOVED IT TO WIMBLEDON. BUT IF YOU WANT COMPETITION--
TRY MUD WRESTLING--
H-HEY!

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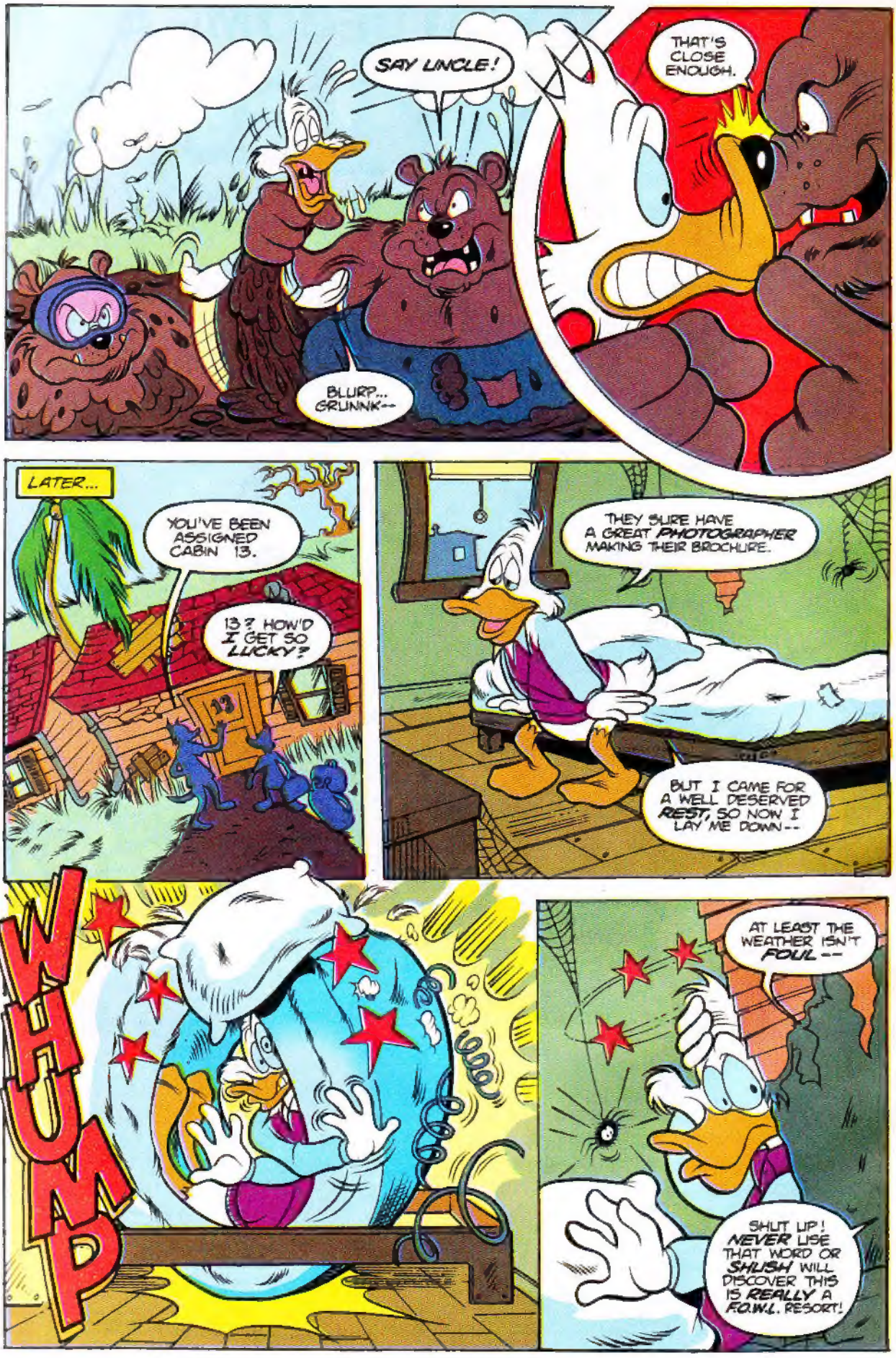
SAY UNCLE!
THAT'S CLOSE ENOUGH.
BLURP... GRUNNK--
LATER...
YOU'VE BEEN ASSIGNED CABIN 13.
13? HOW'D I GET SO LUCKY?
THEY SURE HAVE A GREAT PHOTOGRAPHER MAKING THEIR BROCHURE.
BUT I CAME FOR A WELL DESERVED REST, SO NOW I LAY ME DOWN--
WHUMP
AT LEAST THE WEATHER ISN'T FOUL--
SHUT UP! NEVER USE THAT WORD OR SHUSH WILL DISCOVER THIS IS REALLY A F.O.W.L. RESORT!

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LUCKILY, MY MARVELOUS MECHANICAL MIND KNOWS HOW TO IMPROVISE A HIGH-TECH LISTENING DEVICE!
COME ON! EVEN IF I SAID THAT F.O.W.L. RUNS THIS PLACE, NO ONE BUT OTHER TIRED F.O.W.L. AGENTS WOULD HEAR ME.
WRONG!
CLUB
ONE OF OUR GUESTS PLANTED AN IRRESISTIBLE BROCHURE ABOUT CLUB MUD IN SHUSH CONTROL. WE CAN EXPECT ONE OF THEIR EXHAUSTED AGENTS ANYTIME NOW.
WHY, THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT ME!
ZOOMMMM
IF F.O.W.L. RUNS THIS REST AND RECREATION DUMP, I REALLY DON'T THINK I'LL ENJOY THE RECREATION, AND THE "REST" MAY BECOME PERMANENT!
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE! WHEN'S THE NEXT FLIGHT?
NOT FOR TWO DAYS.
GULP! I'VE GOT TO HIDE HERE FOR TWO DAYS AND THESE F.O.W.L. JOKERS LOOK LIKE THEY ALREADY SENSE THAT I AM TRULY THE TERROR WHO FLAPS IN THE NIGHT...
CLUB MUD OFFICE
OR FLOPS DURING THE DAY!

FREE! CLUB MUD FACIAL
Peel Away Dull Skin
Look Lovely !!!
A MUD PACK! THE PERFECT DISGUISE OF COURSE, IT IS A CRIME TO HIDE THIS WHOLESOME HEARTY, HANDSOME FACE.
I'D LIKE AN OFFICIAL CAMP MUD--
WHAP
HERE'S MUD IN YOUR EYE.
MUD
HEY! SLURP!--
SLAP
PLOP
THEY ALL SAY THAT WHEN THE MUD HITS THEM
WHEN WE FINISH YOU WON'T RECOGNIZE YOURSELF--
THAT SHOULD PLEASE YOU.
NOW WHAT DO YOU SAY?
WILL IT LAST UNTIL HALLOWEEN?

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WAIT! REST HERE HALF-AN-HOUR AND THEN WE'LL WASH IT OFF--
NO WAY! I WANT TO ENJOY THIS MARVELOUS MUDDY MUG MUCH LONGER!
DESPITE MY WORLDWIDE FAME, NO ONE WIL...EVER RECOGNIZE ME LIKE THIS!
REWARD!
FIND THIS SHUSH AGENT - GET RICH FAST!
WHY I COULD USE THAT REWARD TO SEND MY KID TO COLLEGE!
YOU MIGHT NOT LIVE TO SEE YOUR KID GRADUATE -- I HEAR THAT DARKWING DUCK IS DEVIOUS, DANGEROUS AND DEADLY.
WOULDN'T IT BE GREAT IF DARKWING DUCK WAS THE DOPE WHO FOUND THE BROCHURE AND CAME HERE!?
IF HE DID, HE'D ONLY NEED A ONE-WAY TICKET!
WRECK HALL
HMMM...THE NEXT PLANE OUT OF HERE DOESN'T LEAVE FOR TWO DAYS, AND THIS MUD PACK MAY DRY OFF IN TWO HOURS--

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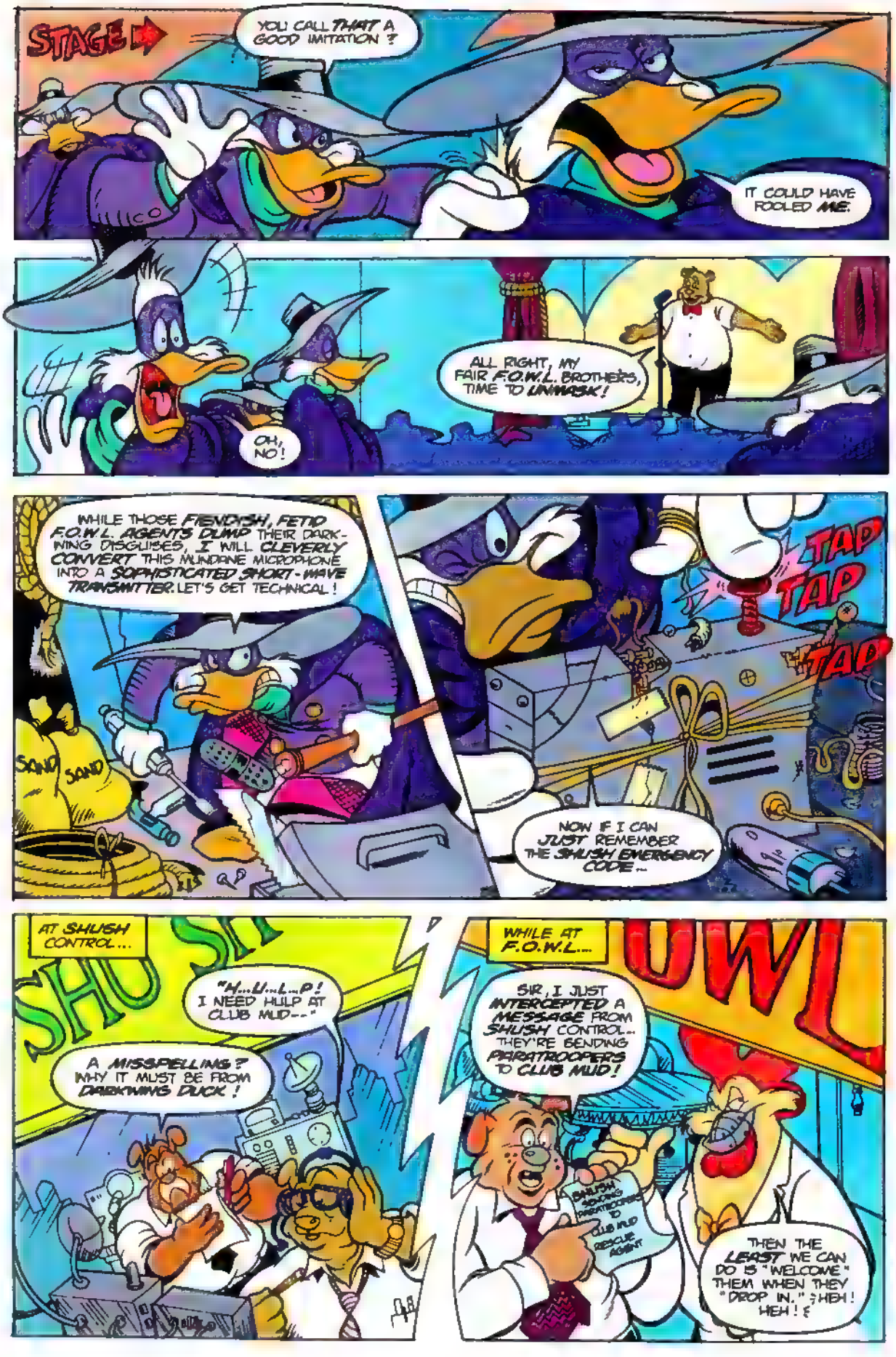
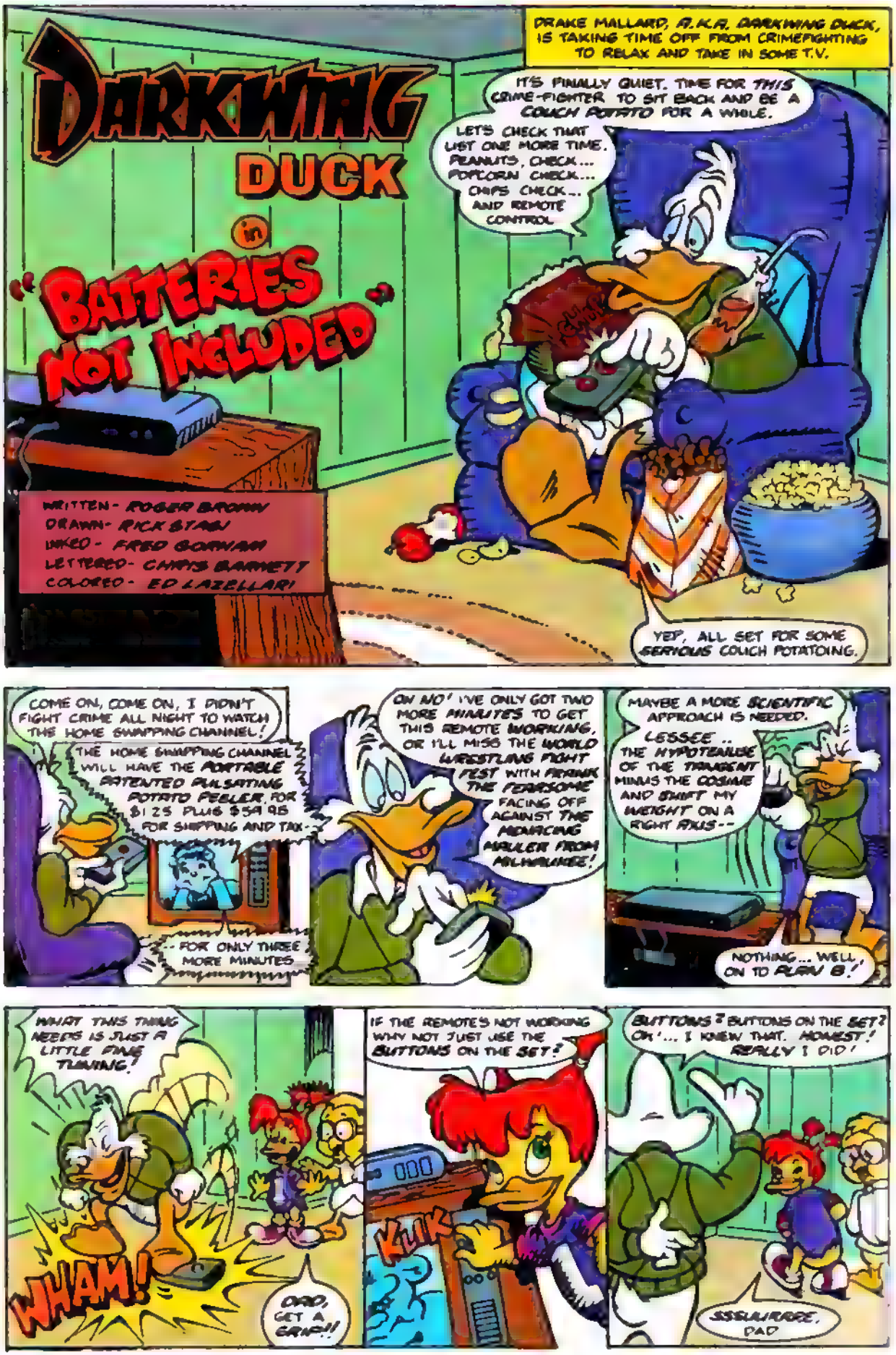
MY FACE! MY FABULOUS EVIL-FIGHTING FACE IS MY BEST WAY TO ESCAPE!
WRECK ROOM BULLETINS
BIG PRIZE TONITE
THE DARKWING DUCK LOOK-ALIKE CONTEST
HEY! HEH! THIS SHOULD RATE A REACTION FROM THOSE ROGUES WHO WOULDN'T WANT TO HAVE MY PHOTOGENIC PROFILE?
WHAT A ROTTEN WAY TO WIN MONEY--LOOK LIKE DARKWING DUCK!
BIG PRIZE TONITE
THE DARKWING DUCK LOOK-ALIKE CONTEST
HEY--BUT YOU'LL ONLY HAVE TO LOOK LIKE THAT FEATHERBRAIN FOR A FEW HOURS! IT'S WORTH IT!
YEAH, THAT POOR DUCK HAS TO LOOK LIKE THAT FOR LIFE!
POST NO BILLS
LET'S HOPE THERE ARE LOTS OF DUBIOUS DARKWING DUCK DUPES AT THIS RUNDOWN RESORT.
THAT EVENING...
TO STAGE
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL SIGHT!
CONTEST! TONITE CASH PRIZE

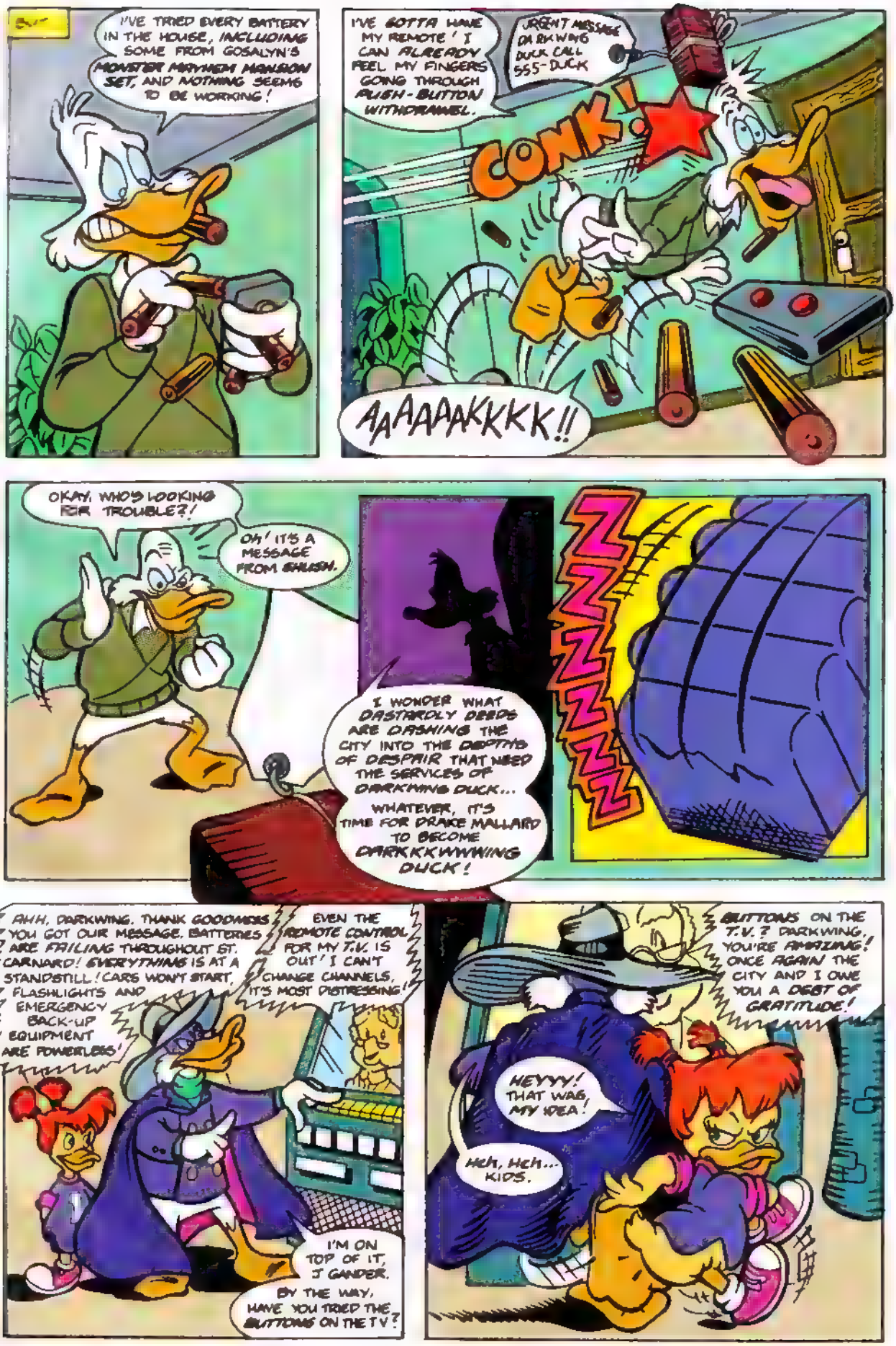

STAGE
YOU CALL THAT A GOOD IMITATION ?
IT COULD HAVE FOOLED ME.
OH, NO!
ALL RIGHT, MY FAIR F.O.W.L. BROTHERS, TIME TO UNMASK!
WHILE THOSE FIENDISH, FETID F.O.W.L. AGENTS DUMP THEIR DARKWING DISGUISES, I WILL CLEVERLY CONVERT THIS MUNDANE MICROPHONE INTO A SOPHISTICATED SHORT-WAVE TRANSMITTER. LET'S GET TECHNICAL!
SAND
SAND
TAP
TAP
TAP
NOW IF I CAN JUST REMEMBER THE SHUSH EMERGENCY CODE...
AT SHUSH CONTROL...
"H...U...L...P! I NEED HULP AT CLUB MUD--"
A MISSPELLING? WHY IT MUST BE FROM DARKWING DUCK!
WHILE AT F.O.W.L...
SIR, I JUST INTERCEPTED A MESSAGE FROM SHUSH CONTROL. THEY'RE SENDING PARATROOPERS TO CLUB MUD!
SHUSH SENDING PARATROOPERS TO CLUB MUD RESCUE AGENT
THEN THE LEAST WE CAN DO IS "WELCOME" THEM WHEN THEY "DROP IN." HEH! HEH!

FIRE AT WILL!
POW!
SIR I DON'T SEE WHO CAN I FIRE AT JIM!
YEEECH! MUD--
SLOP!
WHOMP!
SPLAT!
AND HOOTER DIDN'T WARN US! WE SHOULD BE WEARING OUR ANTI-MUD ARMOR!
FIRE ALL THE MUD MORTARS!
AH! HERE COMES THE CAVALRY-- BY AIR!
POW!
SPLOOSH
UH-OH! THIS MESSY MUD BARRAGE IS TURNING MY RESCUE INTO ANOTHER MUDDLE!
VA ROOM
BEWARE F.O.W.L.! I AM THE BAR OF SOAP YOU SLIP ON IN THE SHOWER!

THEY'RE DRIVING US INTO THE SEA!
SPLOSH
WHO'LL RESCUE THE RESCUERS?
LET'S GET DANGEROUS!
N-NEY! WHAT'S HAPPENING?
I AM HAPPENING! I, THE DAUNTLESS, DASHING DUCK OF DEFIANCE, AM AT WORK!
MUD BATH
SPLASH!
SPLASH! SPLOOSH!
HOT! HOT!
HERE'S WHERE THEY GET BEAT BY HEAT!

MANY DEGREES OF HEAT LATER..
THEY LOOK LIKE A ROW OF COOKIES, DARKWING.
I KNEW THIS WAS MORE THAN A HALF-BAKED IDEA RIGHT FROM THE START!
CLUB MED MAY BE A REST AND RELAXATION RESORT FOR F.O.W.L. AGENTS, BUT THERE IS NO REST FOR THOSE WHO PLAY FOUL.
LATER ..
JUST WHAT I EXPECTED FROM YOU, DARKWING. BUT YOU LOOK TIRED.
I FORGOT TO PACK MY VITAMINS.
IT'S TIME TO TAKE A VACATION. LUCKILY THIS TRAVEL BROCHURE JUST CAME IN--
I'M OUT OF HERE!
THE END


DARKWING DUCK
in
"BATTERIES NOT INCLUDED"
WRITTEN - ROGER BROWN
DRAWN - RICK STAN
INKED - FRED GORHAM
LETTERED - CHRIS BARNETT
COLORED - ED LAZELLARI
DRAKE MALLARD, A.K.A. DARKWING DUCK, IS TAKING TIME OFF FROM CRIMEFIGHTING TO RELAX AND TAKE IN SOME T.V.
IT'S FINALLY QUIET. TIME FOR THIS CRIME-FIGHTER TO SIT BACK AND BE A COUCH POTATO FOR A WHILE.
LET'S CHECK THAT LIST ONE MORE TIME. PEANUTS, CHECK... POPCORN CHECK... CHIPS CHECK... AND REMOTE CONTROL
YEP, ALL SET FOR SOME SERIOUS COUCH POTATOING.
COME ON, COME ON, I DIDN'T FIGHT CRIME ALL NIGHT TO WATCH THE HOME SHOPPING CHANNEL!
THE HOME SHOPPING CHANNEL WILL HAVE THE PORTABLE PATENTED PULSATING POTATO PEELER, FOR $1 25 PLUS $5.95 FOR SHIPPING AND TAX--
-- FOR ONLY THREE MORE MINUTES...
OH NO! I'VE ONLY GOT TWO MORE MINUTES TO GET THIS REMOTE WORKING, OR I'LL MISS THE WORLD WRESTLING FIGHT FEST WITH FRANK THE FEARSOME FACING OFF AGAINST THE MENACING MAULER FROM MILWAUKEE!
MAYBE A MORE SCIENTIFIC APPROACH IS NEEDED.
LESSEE.. THE HYPOTENUSE OF THE TANGENT MINUS THE COSINE AND SHIFT MY WEIGHT ON A RIGHT AXIS--
NOTHING... WELL, ON TO PLAN B!
WHAT THIS THING NEEDS IS JUST A LITTLE FINE TUNING!
WHAM!
DAD, GET A GRIP!!
IF THE REMOTE'S NOT WORKING WHY NOT JUST USE THE BUTTONS ON THE SET?
KLIK
BUTTONS? BUTTONS ON THE SET? OH'... I KNEW THAT. HONEST! REALLY I DID!
SSSUURRE, DAD


I'VE TRIED EVERY BATTERY IN THE HOUSE, INCLUDING SOME FROM GOSALYN'S MONSTER MAYHEM MANSION SET, AND NOTHING SEEMS TO BE WORKING!
I'VE GOTTA HAVE MY REMOTE! I CAN ALREADY FEEL MY FINGERS GOING THROUGH PUSH-BUTTON WITHDRAWEL.
URGENT MESSAGE DARKWING DUCK CALL 555-DUCK
CONK!
AAAAAKKKK!!
OKAY, WHO'S LOOKING FOR TROUBLE?!
OH! IT'S A MESSAGE FROM GHUSH.
I WONDER WHAT DASTARDLY DEEDS ARE DASHING THE CITY INTO THE DEPTHS OF DESPAIR THAT NEED THE SERVICES OF DARKWING DUCK...
WHATEVER, IT'S TIME FOR DRAKE MALLARD TO BECOME DARKKKWWWING DUCK!
ZZZZZZZ
AHH, DARKWING, THANK GOODNESS YOU GOT OUR MESSAGE. BATTERIES ARE FAILING THROUGHOUT ST. CARNARD! EVERYTHING IS AT A STANDSTILL! CARS WON'T START, FLASHLIGHTS AND EMERGENCY BACK-UP EQUIPMENT ARE POWERLESS!
EVEN THE REMOTE CONTROL FOR MY T.V. IS OUT! I CAN'T CHANGE CHANNELS, IT'S MOST DISTRESSING!
I'M ON TOP OF IT, J GANDER.
BY THE WAY, HAVE YOU TRIED THE BUTTONS ON THE TV?
BUTTONS ON THE T.V.? DARKWING, YOU'RE AMAZING! ONCE AGAIN THE CITY AND I OWE YOU A DEBT OF GRATITUDE!
HEYYY! THAT WAS MY IDEA!
HEH, HEH... KIDS.

LAUNCHPAD! A POWER-PILFERING PEST IS PLAGUING THE POPULACE OF ST. CANARD!
SHUSH WANTS US TO FIND AND STOP THIS VILLAIN!
WHOA! TRY SAYING THAT THREE TIMES FAST!
TO THE THUNDERQUACK, LAUNCHPAD!
LET'S GET DANGEROUS!
R-R-R-R-R-
I DON'T UNDERSTAND, D.W... THE THUNDERQUACK WON'T CRANK, BUT I JUST FINISHED TUNING IT UP THIS MORNING.
Heh... MAYBE THOSE LEFTOVER PARTS WERE IMPORTANT.
THERE'S NO TIME TO WASTE CHECKING IT OUT NOW! WE CAN STILL STRIKE FEAR INTO THE FACE OF CRIME USING THE RATCATCHER!
BOING!
IT SHOULD WORK. I HAVEN'T TUNED IT UP YET.
FOILED AGAIN!
R-R-R-R-R-
HOW CAN A CRIMEFIGHTER FIGHT CRIME WHEN HE CAN'T GET TO THE CRIME?
Uhh, IS THAT A MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTION?
HOW'Z ABOUT A TAXI?
NEVER!! DARKWING DUCK WILL FIND THE FIEND RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS POWER PIRACY, AND MAKE HIM PAY FOR THIS
WE HAVE TO HAVE SOMETHING AROUND HERE THAT STILL WORKS

Original FRUIT
Skittles
BITE SIZE CANDIES
Skittles
YEARS LATER
AT ON CRITICS LABELED IT
VAN G
FECTIONARY PHASE.
Wild berry
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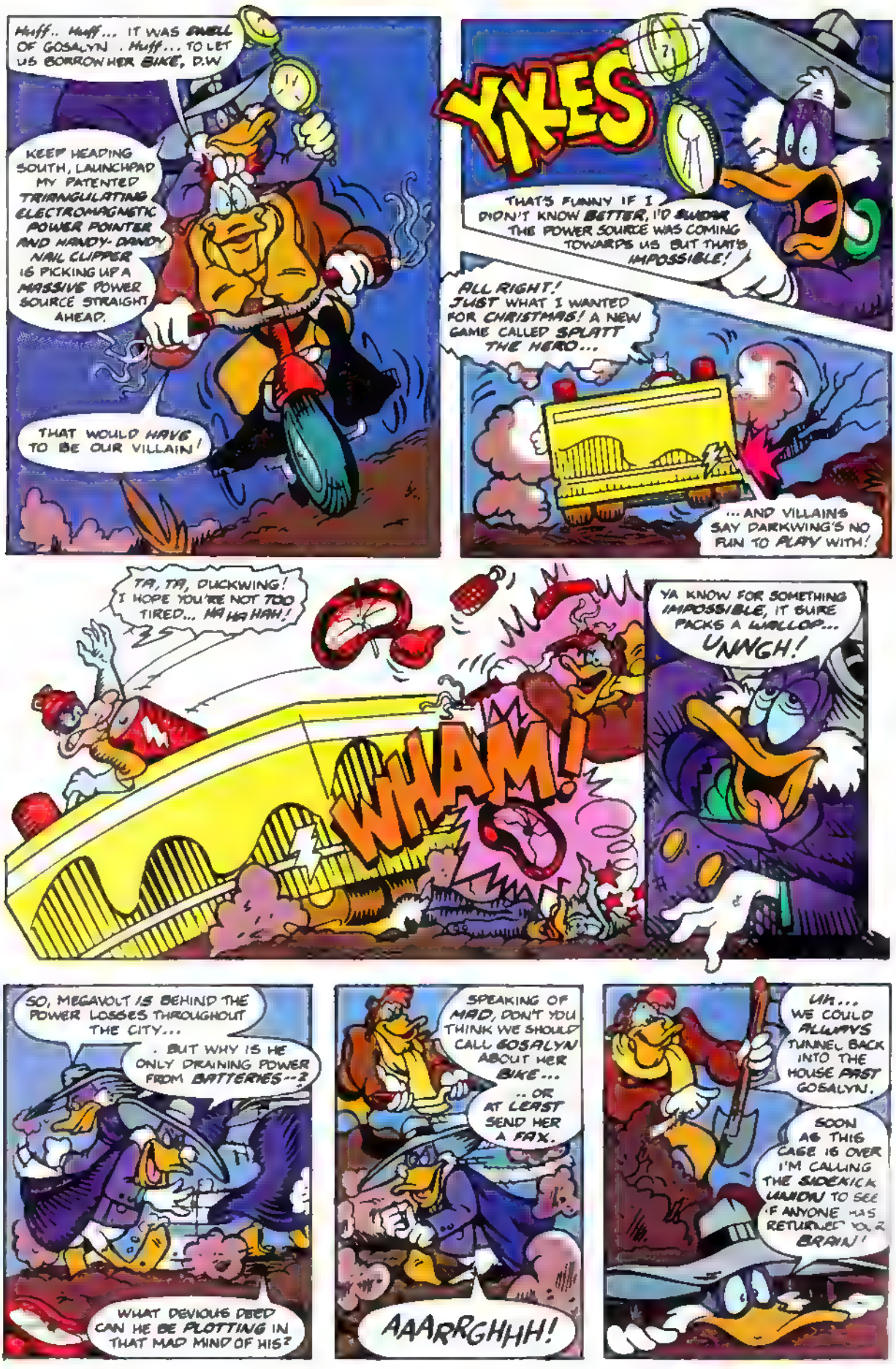
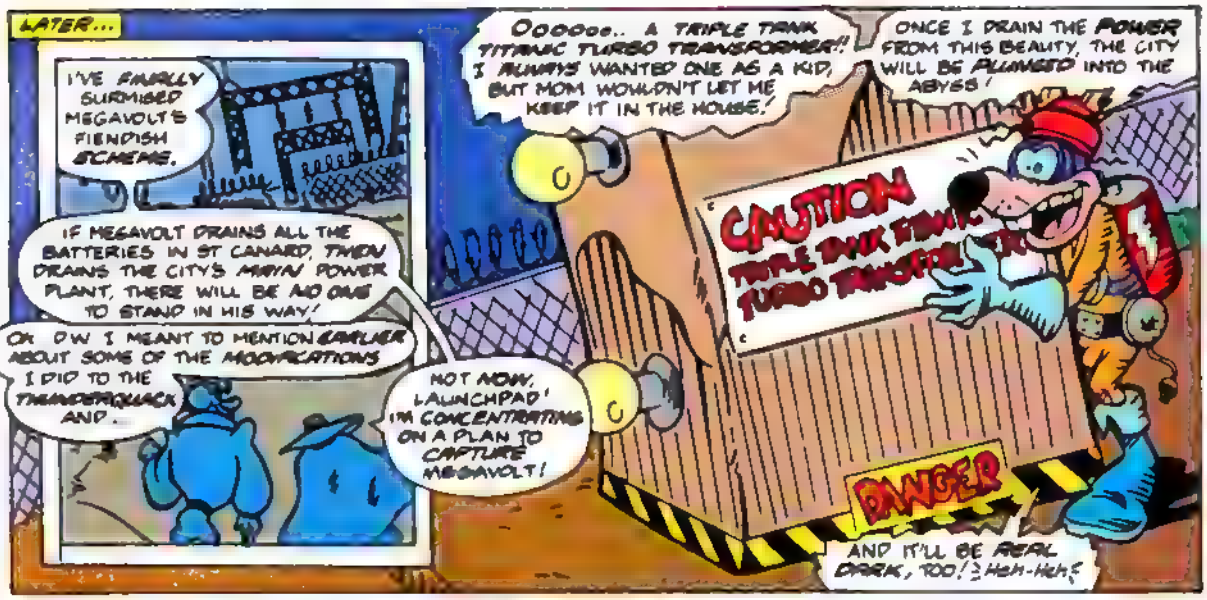
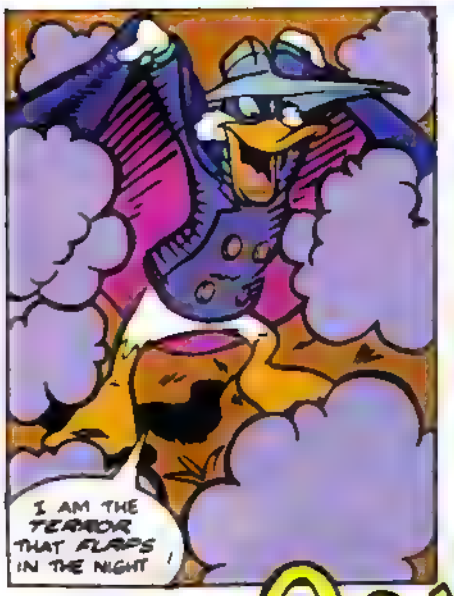
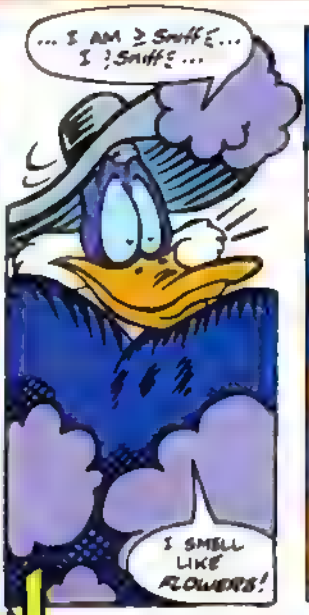
REAL FRUIT JUICES
TROPICAL
Skittl
TASTE THE RAINBOW!
OF FRUIT FLAVORS


Huff.. Huff... IT WAS SWELL OF GOSALYN . Huff... TO LET US BORROW HER BIKE, D.W
KEEP HEADING SOUTH, LAUNCHPAD MY PATENTED TRIANGULATING ELECTROMAGNETIC POWER POINTER AND HANDY-DANDY NAIL CLIPPER IS PICKING UP A MASSIVE POWER SOURCE STRAIGHT AHEAD.
THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE OUR VILLAIN!
YIKES
THAT'S FUNNY IF I DIDN'T KNOW BETTER, I'D SWEAR THE POWER SOURCE WAS COMING TOWARDS US BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!
ALL RIGHT! JUST WHAT I WANTED FOR CHRISTMAS! A NEW GAME CALLED SPLATT THE HERO...
... AND VILLAINS SAY DARKWING'S NO FUN TO PLAY WITH!
TA, TA, DUCKWING! I HOPE YOU'RE NOT TOO TIRED... HA HA HAH!
WHAM!
YA KNOW FOR SOMETHING IMPOSSIBLE, IT SURE PACKS A WALLOP... UNWGH!
SO, MEGAVOLT IS BEHIND THE POWER LOSSES THROUGHOUT THE CITY...
. BUT WHY IS HE ONLY DRAINING POWER FROM BATTERIES--?
WHAT DEVIOUS DEED CAN HE BE PLOTTING IN THAT MAD MIND OF HIS?
SPEAKING OF MAD, DON'T YOU THINK WE SHOULD CALL GOSALYN ABOUT HER BIKE...
.. OR AT LEAST SEND HER A FAX.
AAARRGHHH!
UH... WE COULD ALWAYS TUNNEL BACK INTO THE HOUSE PAST GOSALYN.
SOON AS THIS CAGE IS OVER I'M CALLING THE SIDEKICK HOTLINE TO SEE IF ANYONE HAS RETURNED YOUR BRAIN!

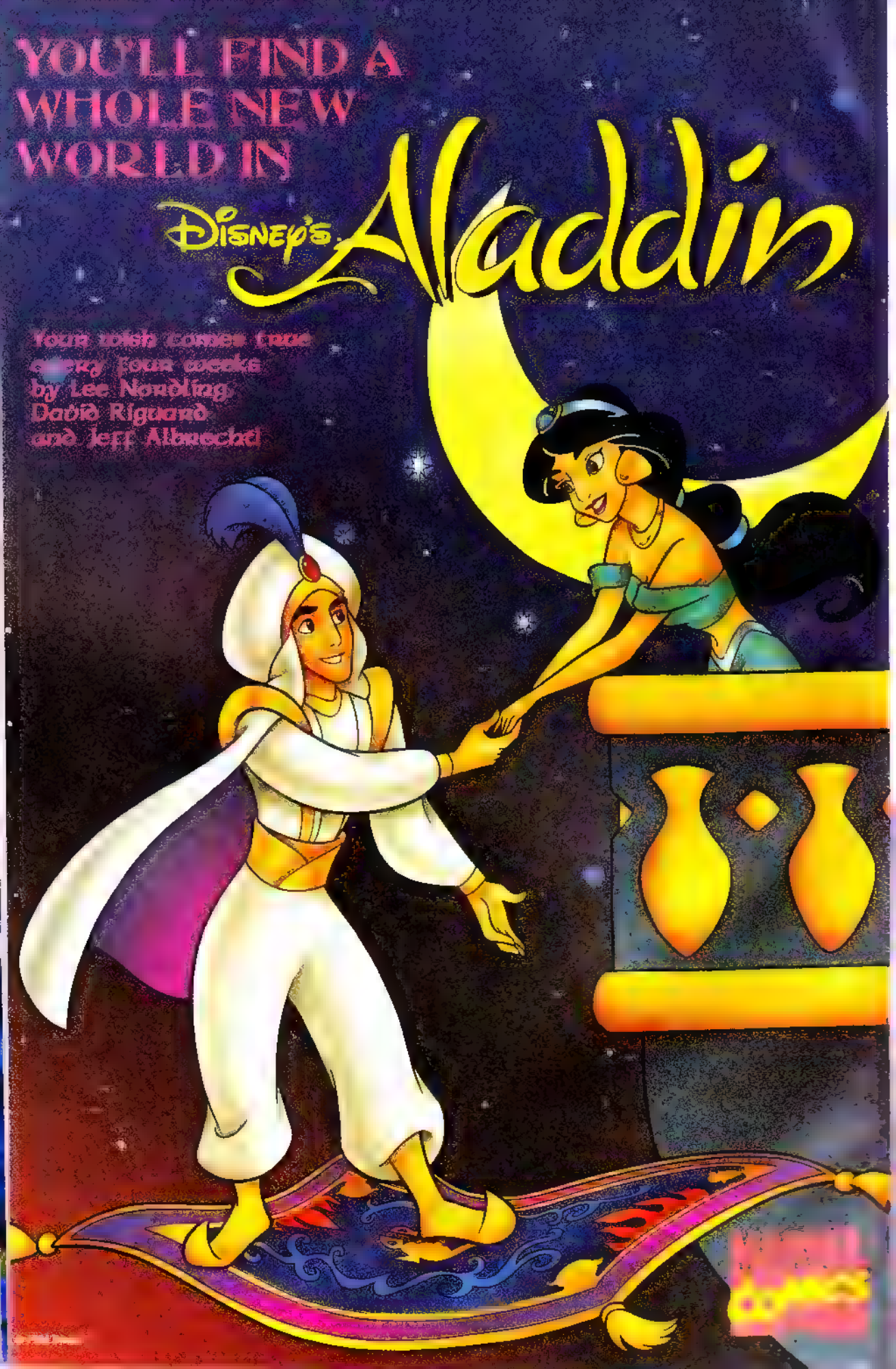

LATER...
I'VE FINALLY SURMISED MEGAVOLT'S FIENDISH SCHEME.
IF MEGAVOLT DRAINS ALL THE BATTERIES IN ST CANARD, THEN DRAINS THE CITY'S MAIN POWER PLANT, THERE WILL BE NO ONE TO STAND IN HIS WAY!
OH, BTW I MEANT TO MENTION EARLIER ABOUT SOME OF THE MODIFICATIONS I DID TO THE THUNDERQUACK AND...
NOT NOW, LAUNCHPAD! I'M CONCENTRATING ON A PLAN TO CAPTURE MEGAVOLT!
OOOOOO.. A TRIPLE TANK TITANIC TURBO TRANSFORMER!! I ALWAYS WANTED ONE AS A KID, BUT MOM WOULDN'T LET ME KEEP IT IN THE HOUSE!
ONCE I DRAIN THE POWER FROM THIS BEAUTY, THE CITY WILL BE PLUNGED INTO THE ABYSS!
CAUTION
DANGER
AND IT'LL BE REAL DARK, TOO! HEH-HEH!


I AM THE TERROR THAT FLAPS IN THE NIGHT!


... I AM SNIFF... I SNIFF...
I SMELL LIKE FLOWERS!

AAAAA... FLORAL BOUQUET, TO BE EXACT. THAT'S ONE OF THE MODIFICATIONS I WAS TRYING TO TELL YOU ABOUT.
FLORAL BOUQUET! I'M SURE THAT'S THE SCENT ALL THE CRIMEFIGHTERS ARE WEARING THIS YEAR
WHAT'S NEXT, PINE SCENT?
EXCUSE ME! EXCUSE ME!!

YEEEEOOOW
I HATE TO INTERRUPT YOUR LITTLE TIFF, BUT I'VE GOT A JOB TO DO...
... AND YOUR YAPPING IS GIVING ME A HEADACHE!!
FIZZZZZZZ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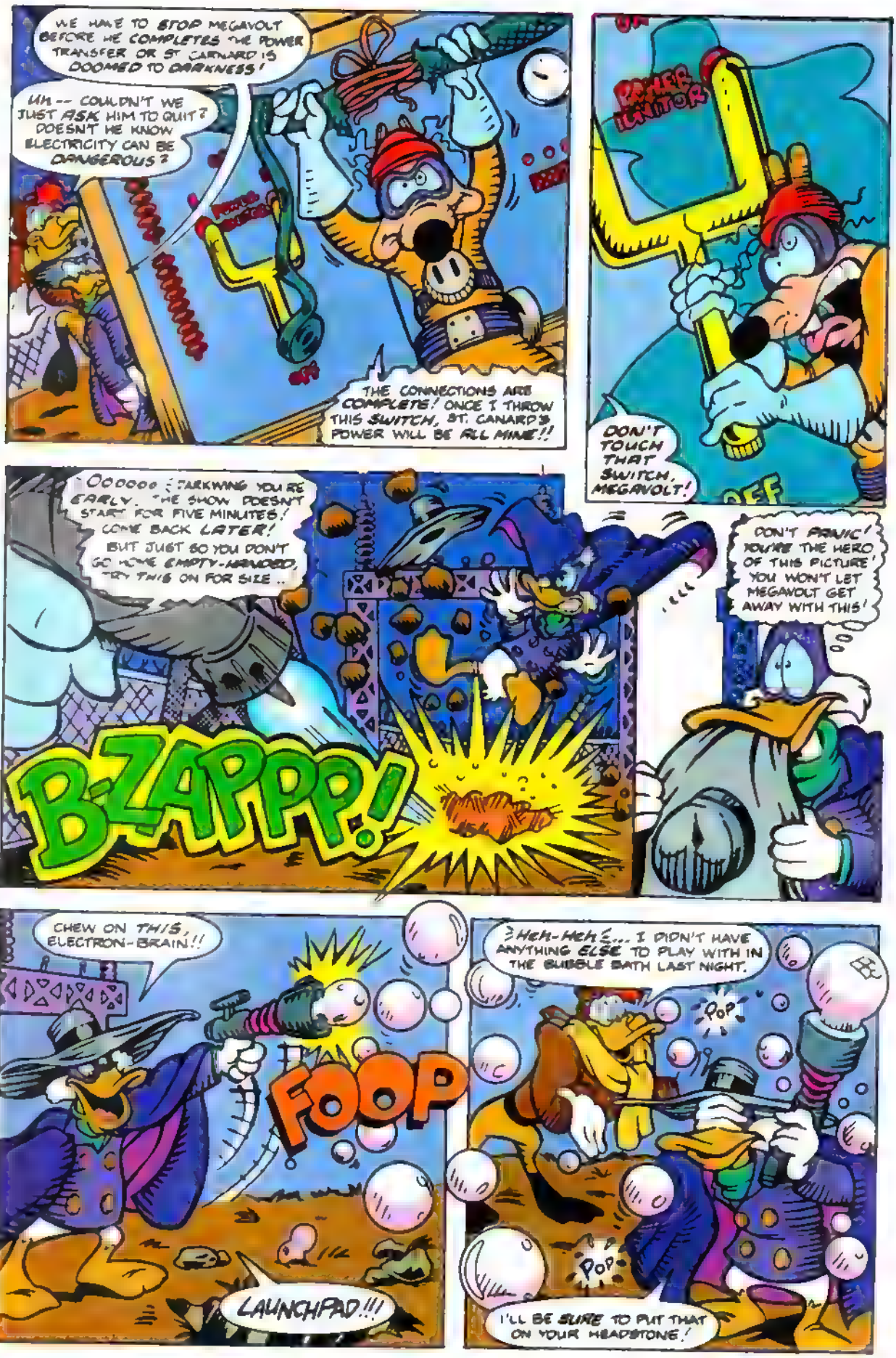
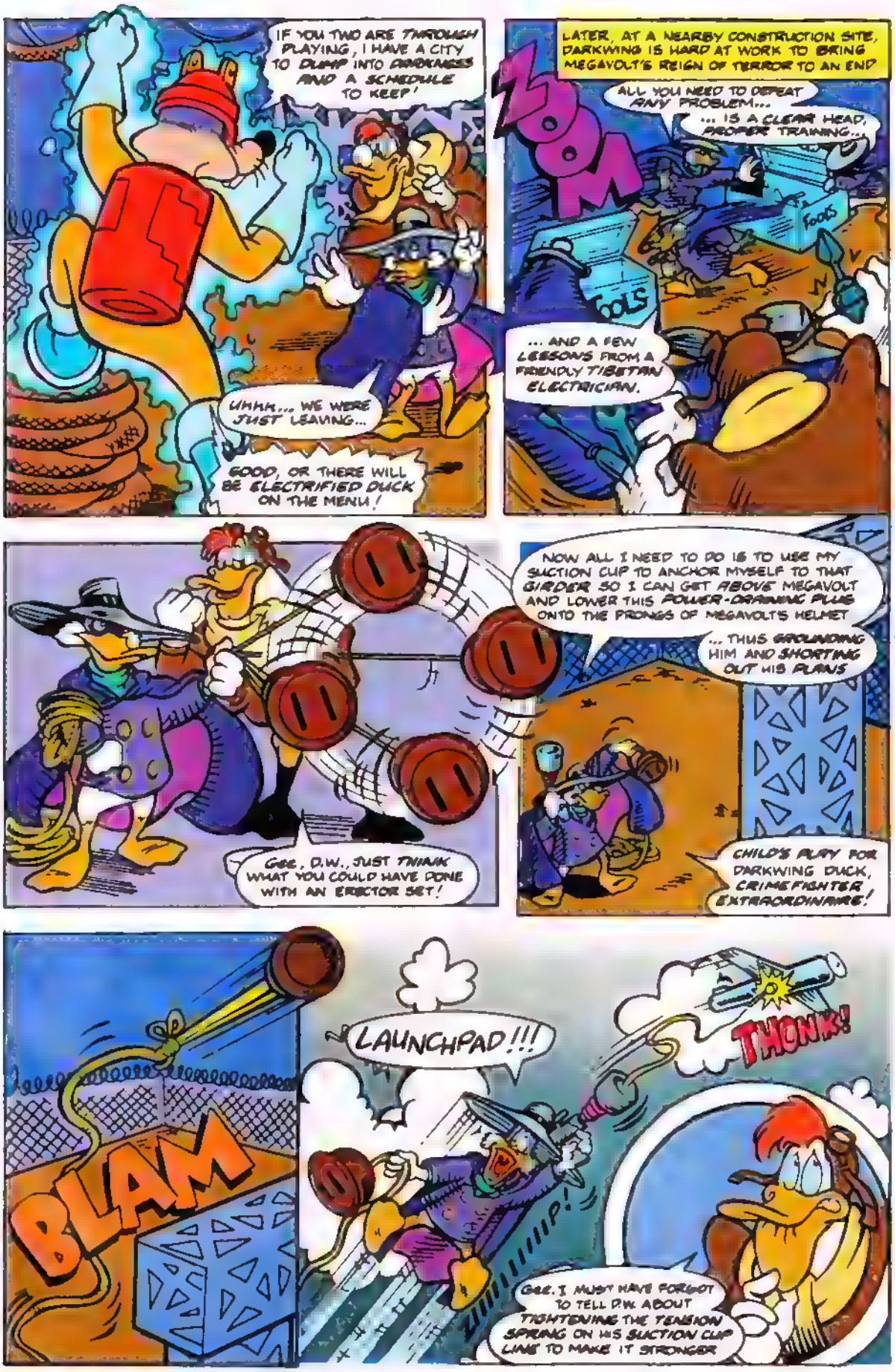

WE HAVE TO STOP MEGAVOLT BEFORE HE COMPLETES THE POWER TRANSFER OR ST CANARD IS DOOMED TO DARKNESS!
UH -- COULDN'T WE JUST ASK HIM TO QUIT? DOESN'T HE KNOW ELECTRICITY CAN BE DANGEROUS?
THE CONNECTIONS ARE COMPLETE! ONCE I THROW THIS SWITCH, ST. CANARD'S POWER WILL BE ALL MINE!!
POWER IGNITOR
DON'T TOUCH THAT SWITCH, MEGAVOLT!
OFF
OOOOOO DARKWING YOU'RE EARLY. THE SHOW DOESN'T START FOR FIVE MINUTES! COME BACK LATER!
BUT JUST SO YOU DON'T GO HOME EMPTY-HANDED, TRY THIS ON FOR SIZE..
B-ZAPPP!
DON'T PANIC! YOU'RE THE HERO OF THIS PICTURE! YOU WON'T LET MEGAVOLT GET AWAY WITH THIS!
CHEW ON THIS, ELECTRON-BRAIN!!
FOOP
LAUNCHPAD!!!
HEH-HEH... I DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE TO PLAY WITH IN THE BUBBLE BATH LAST NIGHT.
POP
POP
I'LL BE SURE TO PUT THAT ON YOUR HEADSTONE!


IF YOU TWO ARE THROUGH PLAYING, I HAVE A CITY TO DUMP INTO DARKNESS AND A SCHEDULE TO KEEP!
UHHH... WE WERE JUST LEAVING...
GOOD, OR THERE WILL BE ELECTRIFIED DUCK ON THE MENU!
LATER, AT A NEARBY CONSTRUCTION SITE, DARKWING IS HARD AT WORK TO BRING MEGAVOLT'S REIGN OF TERROR TO AN END
ZOOM
ALL YOU NEED TO DEFEAT ANY PROBLEM...
... IS A CLEAR HEAD, PROPER TRAINING...
TOOLS
... AND A FEW LESSONS FROM A FRIENDLY TIBETAN ELECTRICIAN.
NOW ALL I NEED TO DO IS TO USE MY SUCTION CUP TO ANCHOR MYSELF TO THAT GIRDER SO I CAN GET ABOVE MEGAVOLT AND LOWER THIS POWER-DRAINING PLUG ONTO THE PRONGS OF MEGAVOLT'S HELMET
... THUS GROUNDING HIM AND SHORTING OUT HIS PLANS
GEE, D.W., JUST THINK WHAT YOU COULD HAVE DONE WITH AN ERECTOR SET!
CHILD'S PLAY FOR DARKWING DUCK, CRIMEFIGHTER EXTRAORDINAIRE!
BLAM
LAUNCHPAD!!!
THONK!
GEE, I MUST HAVE FORGOT TO TELL D.W. ABOUT TIGHTENING THE TENSION SPRING ON HIS SUCTION CUP LINE TO MAKE IT STRONGER

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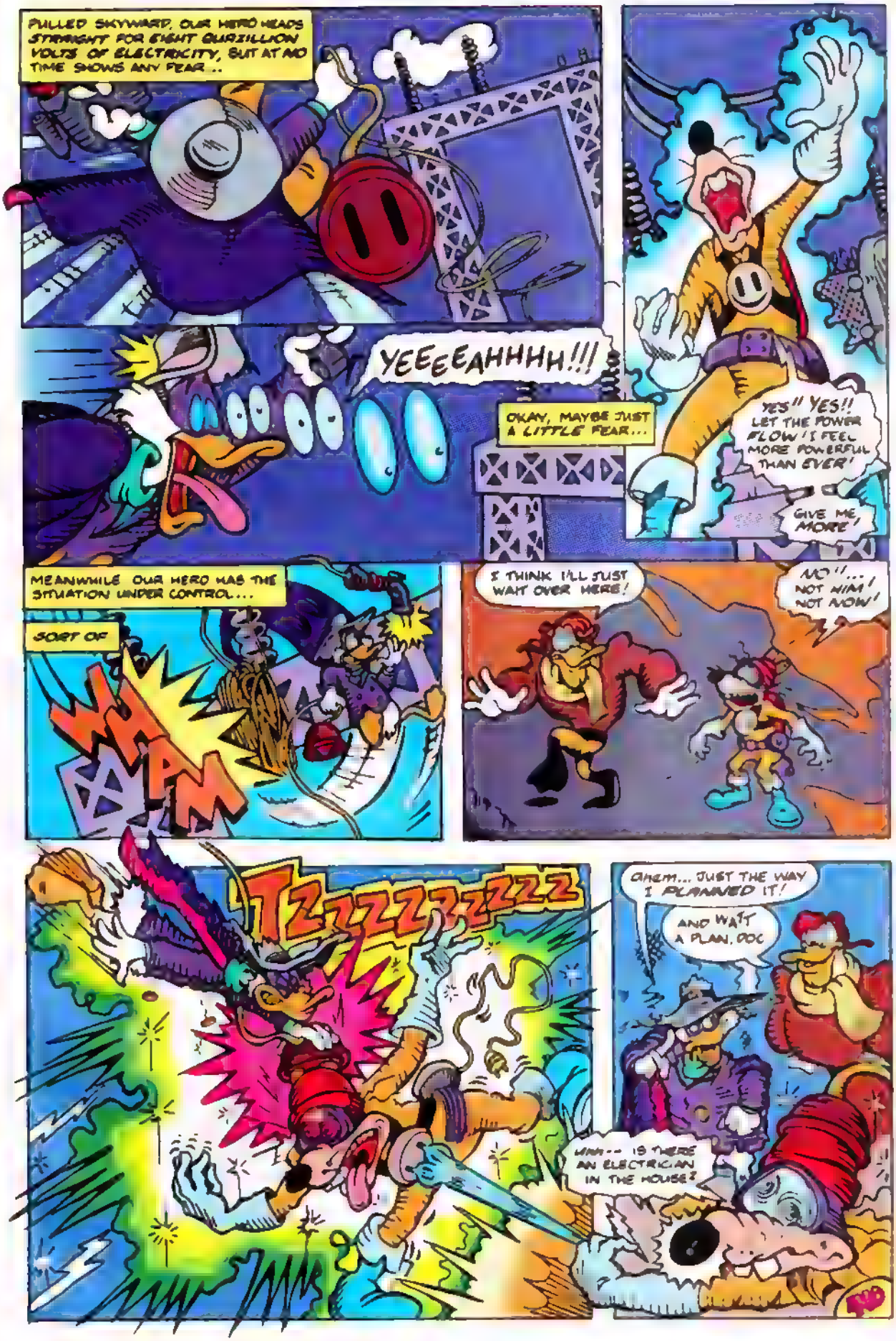
PULLED SKYWARD, OUR HERO HEADS STRAIGHT FOR EIGHT QUAZILLION VOLTS OF ELECTRICITY, BUT AT NO TIME SHOWS ANY FEAR...
YEEEEAHHHH!!!
OKAY, MAYBE JUST A LITTLE FEAR...
YES!! YES!! LET THE POWER FLOW! I FEEL MORE POWERFUL THAN EVER!
GIVE ME MORE!
MEANWHILE OUR HERO HAS THE SITUATION UNDER CONTROL...
SORT OF
WHAM
I THINK I'LL JUST WAIT OVER HERE!
NO!!... NOT HIM! NOT NOW!
TZZZZZZZZZZ
AHEM... JUST THE WAY I PLANNED IT!
AND WAIT A PLAN, DOC
HMM-- IS THERE AN ELECTRICIAN IN THE HOUSE?

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NEXT MONTH:

THE DISNEY AFTERNOON #4, - Darkwing Duck and his cohorts are back — and not exactly themselves! A bizarre bolt of lightning, striking at the same moment as a bolt from Megavolt's evil weapon combine to cause a "Switch In Time!" Megavolt's still on the loose and our heroes' personalities are trapped in different bodies! Will Darkwing find a way out of grade-school and back into his own body? Don't miss the electrifying excitement!

Cover penciled by Rick Stasi, inked by Michael James and colored by Ed Lazerian

Dear Sarra,

I am glad to see that you are publishing comic books based on The Disney Afternoon TV series. The first issue was great! I am confused as to why the writer chose to give away the location of Darkwing Duck's secret hide-out to all his rivals?! The TaleSpin story, "Welcome To Gumbeaux" was an absolute riot! The artwork throughout the entire issue was first rate. I commend all of your creative teams on a job well done!

Until Baloo flies on his next adventure, Make Mine Disney!

Brad Tulmine, age 12
Beechwood, NJ

Well thank you, Brad! We're very lucky to have such talented creators bringing the TV series to life in our comics. Darkwing's secret hide-out location wasn't exactly given away. The Fearsome Five arrived in a box by special delivery, so they really don't know where it is! They only know what the inside looks like. And besides, since they're trapped in the refridgerator, who are they going to tell!

Dear DISNEY AFTERNOON,

The cover for issue #2 was stupendous! I have been anxiously awaiting TDA #2, to see if it would carry on the same quality as the first issue. I am happy to say it has! The way Darkwing fought off Dr Marronic and her robo-hounds was great. How can I get THE DISNEY AFTERNOON comic book in the mail? I look forward to your next issue and many more after that!

Your biggest TaleSpin fan,
Ashley Andrews, age 10
Los Angeles, CA

We're thrilled that you're enjoying THE DISNEY AFTERNOON comic book series so much, Ashley! To have TDA come directly to your doorstep, by mail every month, simply fill out the subscription form in the back of this very issue and mail it in. Remember, subscriptions are available to any of our Disney titles. Be sure to check with a parent or adult first. Once we receive your subscription, we'll be sure to add next month's issue to Baloo's next shipment!

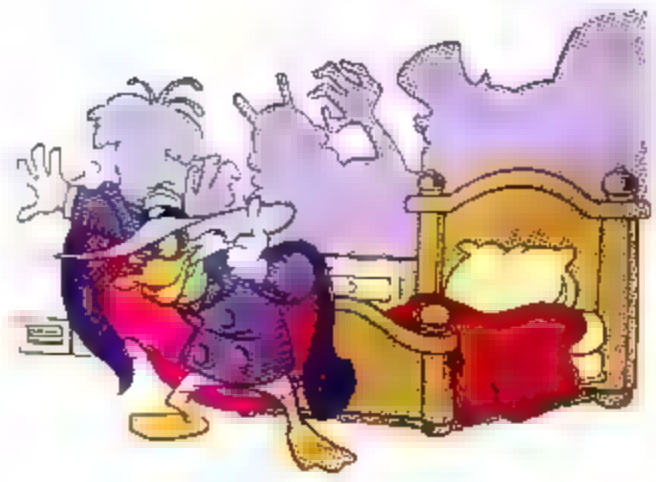
Dear Sarra,

The newest addition to Marvel's Disney expansion made for an excellent first issue! The one and only Darkwing Duck and John Blair Moore together again Thanks for "Kitchen Clean-Up". John produced the witty antics of Tex Avery with good-natured pokes at companies like Marvel Comics!

The TaleSpin story had solid writing by Janet Gilbert while the artwork by Andre Klacik and Joe Messerli really caught my eye. Done in the Disney style, Andre gave many new, unique facial expression to Baloo and Molly. Thanks to the joint efforts of Marvel and Disney, these are the best all-ages comics on the market. If I were a fortune teller, I'd predict success in your future. See you in thirty!

Joey Marchese
Clark, NJ

Thanks for the kind words, Joey! Having such talented artists grace the pages of THE DISNEY AFTERNOON has allowed us to bring you these wonderful stories in issue #1 and with many more to follow! With wonderful fans such as yourself, how can success not be in our future!



Dear DISNEY AFTERNOON,

I loved your first issue! Especially the Darkwing Duck story — he's my hero. It was wonderful to see him on the cover. Since Disney has moved onto other cartoon shows, I've been longing for more Duck Tales and Darkwing Duck stories Now I have both THE DISNEY AFTERNOON comic book and the DISNEY ADVENTURES tales to look forward to. It was great to see the Fearsome Five in action! My only complaint was that Quackerjack's outfit was green, purple and yellow

Thank you for such a great issue, please keep'em coming!

Andre D. Smith, age 19
Fort Worth TX

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Please include your name, age and address, though we will gladly withhold that information upon request.

Hey Andre — wonderful fans such as yourself *deserve* an exciting new issue each month! It's always nice to have a hero to look up to, and who better than Darkwing Duck! For further Disney adventures, be sure to check out our other monthly Disney titles — BEAUTY & THE BEAST, THE LITTLE MERMAID and ALADDIN!

Dear Folks,

Finally, the long-hoped-for DISNEY AFTERNOON comic book! To tell the truth, until a few months ago I had pretty much given up hope on seeing a decent DISNEY AFTERNOON comic book at all. After reading the first issue, I am pleased.

Darkwing Duck, my far-and-away favorite, headlines the comic, with John Blair Moore writing and penciling. I've always enjoyed his work. The story was interesting for several reasons. I never expected the Fearsome Five to make *that* kind of an entrance! The dialogue for the Five was well written. I know what a pain it is to write for a bunch a characters with "vocal shticks" and have it make sense! I do hope this comic succeeds! John Blair Moore is a good choice for part of the creative team. I have a few more nominations. Bobbi and David Weiss write great stories, and Dave Hunt is an excellent inker! I am looking forward to the future issues of THE DISNEY AFTERNOON. I have already sent my check for a subscription!

Kim McFarland, age 26
Atlanta, GA

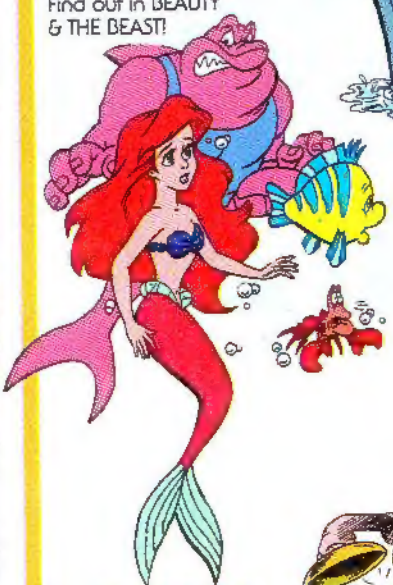
We're very glad you didn't give up on us. We here at Marvel know what a tough job it is to please THE DISNEY AFTERNOON fans, so we wanted to make our first issue worth the wait. What a great idea to subscribe, Kim! Now that you've become a subscriber, you're sure not to miss any of the zany adventures in store for the goofy guys and gals from TDA.

As for John Blair Moore — you never know what silly situation he will have Darkwing Duck in next! And we couldn't agree more with your nominations on creators, Kim. Watch for Bobbi and David's work in the future issues of TDA. In the meantime, you'll find one of Bobbi Weiss's magical stories in this month's ALADDIN #4, and you're sure to enjoy Dave Hunt's inks as they splash the pages of THE LITTLE MERMAID comic book each month!

ALSO THIS MONTH ...

BEAUTY & THE BEAST #5,

"Lyrical Love, Part 1" - Belle tries to teach stubborn Beast how to read and write, and Lumiere takes over as head of the household with Cogsworth's bemused consent. Cogsworth gloats as Beast commands frazzled Lumiere to compose him a poem for Belle. Will Lumiere's words of love help break the spell of the castle and will Cogsworth take back his job? Find out in BEAUTY & THE BEAST!



THE LITTLE MERMAID #5,

"My Dinner With Crustacea" - When Ariel agrees to take her wacky Aunt Crustacea on a tour of Atlantica, she, Flounder and Sebastian get more than they bargained for! Things run amuck at Sharky's Tea Parlor, and Ariel and company must find a way to escape da' dastardly doings of the Lobster Mobster!

ALADDIN #4,

"Greedy in Agrabah" - No one knows the street life of Agrabah better than Aladdin. When he meets up with a young thief named Oso, Aladdin must find a way to show him that being a thief is no way to live. Will Oso learn to trust Aladdin or will he end up as a member of the Brotherhood of Thieves?!

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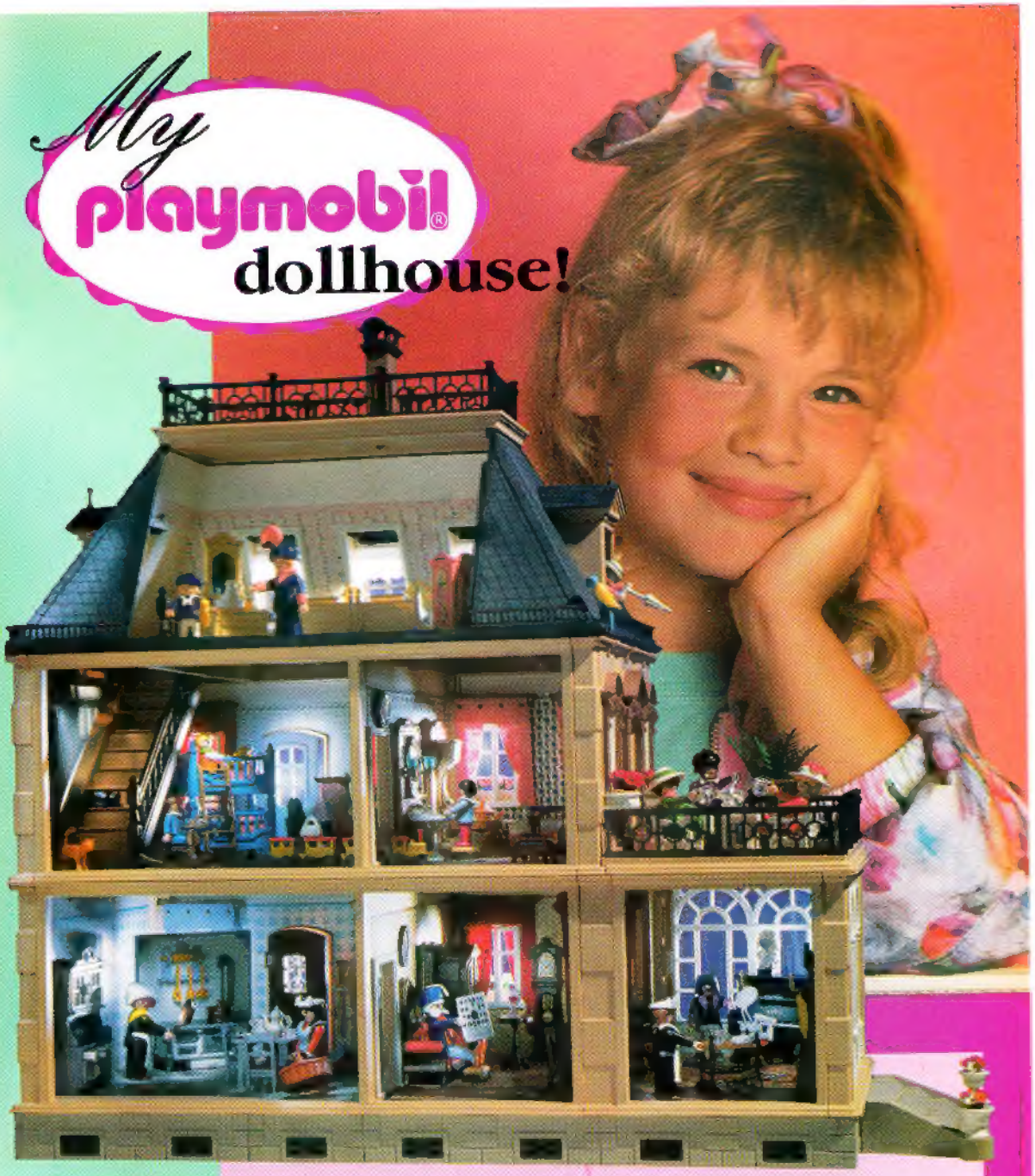

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